

## LOCAL BRIEVITIES.

A driving rain that on Monday morning.

Special term of the County Court to-day.

'Tis fall, and the tints will soon be on the leaves.

The election passed quietly and a fair vote was polled here.

The cost of the local option election will amount to about \$600.

The Ironton M. E. Church has a new pastor vice Mr. Stay, resigned.

The man who stayed out late Thursday night touched the frost line.

A couple of good showers of rain Thursday afternoon relieved the drouth and laid the dust.

Mahara's Minstrels failed to show up last Thursday evening, for what cause is not known.

Whew! The wind blew cold Monday evening and stung the tears of the saddened skies.

It is said that St. Francois and Jefferson counties will have local option elections in the near future.

With apologies to Bobbie Burns: The best laid plans of mice and men gang aft a-gley.

Anybody been out try again another day.

Here's my hand to every friend who voted "against." We can't all see alike, and it is good that it is so.

The new station house is growing rapidly to completion. It will be a credit to the town and fill a long-felt want.

The Rev. Geo. W. McKenney, will preach on next Sabbath both morning and evening at the Presbyterian church.

Degree Work in Ironton Camp, No. 3755, M. W. A., Tuesday evening, Oct. 15. All members are urged to attend.

FOR SALE. A Decker Square Piano. Good condition. Price \$80 cash. Apply to Mrs. S. W. Andrews, Russellville.

The Iron County Teachers' Association will be held November 7th, 8th and 9th. We will print the programme next week.

Get in your winter fuel. If the Coal Trust skins you too closely, Mother Earth stands your friend and firewood here is plentiful.

The very heavy rainfall Monday afternoon flooded the yards of the hub factory, and work had to be suspended the remainder of the day.

Hon. F. R. Newberry, of Fredricksburg, was billed to speak here on Local Option last Friday night, but for some reason switched off to Bellevue.

LOST—Between Ironton and Pilot Knob, on Friday, Oct. 27th, a lady's gun-metal watch and gold fob chain. Finder will return to this office and receive reward.

We saw Mr. Crocker, of Iron county, on our streets Monday. We understand he has purchased a number of town lots and intends locating here in business.—Lead Belt Banner.

Services at M. E. Church next Sunday: Morning theme, "Realized Promise;" evening, "See You Refuse Him Not That Speaketh." Pilot Knob 3:00 p. m.: "Wrestling Jacob." All are invited.

A man from Illinois was in this section seeking a good location for a poultry farm. Such a vocation conducted by one who knows how ought to succeed, and we hope he may conclude to make the venture.

The gentleman who advertised in THE REGISTER for a wife, was married last Sunday morning to a Miss Walker of Madison county. Her father owns a good farm, and the bridegroom will assist him in tilling the land. The farm is about eight miles southeast of Ironton.

In the issue of September 12th, "Isaac" said the county would go "dry to one." Friend "Isaac" is a mighty good correspondent, but as a prophet, in this instance, at least, he is not a success. However, he has lots of company. If I had been compelled to bet, I would have cast my purse on the "dry" side.

R. C. Knight of Sabula last Thursday secured judgment in Justice Rasche's court against the railroad company for \$162. Mr. Knight took care of some cattle in the big wreck near Jordan last January and the railroad company refused to settle with him therefor. The railroad company appealed the case to the circuit court.

STRAYED—From near Annapolis, some six weeks ago, four horses: one sorrel horse and a sorrel mare; two mares, dark iron gray. No marks, except that one mare has cropped ears. Any person who will return them to me or furnish information leading to their recovery, will be liberally rewarded.

JOHN McFALL, Annapolis, Mo.

Notwithstanding the result of the local option election there is a likelihood that Ironton will be "dry" in the immediate future.

George Schultz's license expires the first week in November and we understand that he will not apply for license at the November term of county court. Nor will Messrs. Grandhouse & Holland, we have been told.

Sheriff Marshall returned from Oklahoma Monday evening having in charge Anderson Rust, implicated in the killing of Douglas Newman some two months ago. I understand that he pleads that the homicide was an accident. The prisoner was placed in jail to await the preliminary examination which is set for Thursday, October 17th.

The result of the local option was about as great a surprise as any election in the county ever afforded. The "dry" side claimed it all from the start and most people seemed to think it was going that way. But it didn't. And that leads us to remark: the result of an election, the verdict of a jury, and a woman's whim, you can never foretell. We are glad to say that the bitterness which too often characterizes campaigns of this kind was conspicuous by its absence.

Following are the official returns of the local option election:

Precinct	Dry	Wet
Henderson	15	12
Love's	20	1
Imboden	14	11
Bell's	10	9
Kaehl's	6	18
Bellevue	80	18
Graniteville	27	89
Pilot Knob	25	56
Ironton	162	159
Polk's	13	25
Dunn's	30	17
Annapolis	32	63
Des Arcs	75	61
	509	533

The Lopez Store Co.'s Millinery Opening last Saturday was satisfactory from every point of view: great attendance, elegant display, and large sales. The windows were tastefully and richly dressed. I can't give details, but they were pleasing to the eye, and attracted the attention of all who came or passed along the street. Of course, I don't know much about bonnets and skirts and waists and such like things, and therefore I can only speak of them at second-hand. The ladies were loud in praise of the display, and their judgment I transmit to the reader. The souvenirs—decorated china or something—were fine, and freely distributed. The Fall and Winter Opening was a success.

The series of lectures by Fathers Randall of St. Louis and Peschges of Minneapolis closed last Sunday evening. Large audiences greeted the Fathers every night, but even standing room was at a premium Sunday evening. Every lecture was full of interest and all the subjects were intelligently and ably discussed. The "question-box" was an interesting feature, though some of the queries lacked the ingredients of good sense and courtesy. One: "Do you yourself, believe all you say?" was not only discourteous but very foolish. However, the best of feeling prevailed among the listeners, and, with the fine singing, eloquent address, and fairness of spirit, the course was a decided success.

Don't forget the Arcadia Valley Bazaar Opening Days: October 10th, 11th, 12th. A beautiful Souvenir free to each purchaser. Mrs. Wm. Gross.

There was a lively family "rucus" in the west end of town last Friday evening. The wife had gone visiting and did not return in reasonable time, according to the notion of her liege lord and master. When she did put in an appearance he attempted to eject her from the yard, but, according to my informant, the weaker vessel was a match for him. She hurled a bucket of milk upon him, following it with other missiles. While the combatants were in action their tongues were not held in abeyance, and the surrounding air was punctuated with cuss and other words loud and shrill and deep. I don't know just how the fracas ended, but after so long a time silence again reigned and the dove of peace folded her wings and settled down upon the domicile.

A couple of weeks ago we asked the question as to what the decision would be in the matter of revocation of Prof. Daugherty's certificate, and while we have never expressed an opinion in the matter of the specific charge while pending and don't care to go on record as taking any stock whatever in the contentions in the neighboring town of Piedmont, still we do feel at liberty to say that Commissioner Clubb's decision vindicating Prof. Daugherty was not a surprise. As the matter was presented, it was all that was left to be done. It is a common thing to hear of a citizen being guilty of some great criminal or moral wrong, but how often do we find it that the accusation is based upon rumors and not facts. Sentimental statements have much to do in injuring a neighbor's reputation, and nothing to do in protecting our own happiness.—Wayne County Journal.

Last Saturday was a notable day in the annals of Middlebrook: it witnessed the removal of an old landmark, the Trauernicht tailor-shop, to Bismarck—not exactly the shop itself, but all that gave it character and local standing. But the goods, the curios, the appliances, the tailors, the "boss"—all have gone and are newly domiciled at the Junction City. There hereafter those who desire the services of Mr. Trauernicht will find him, none the less first-class workman and honest tradesman because of the removal. In fact, with increased facilities, he proposes to further extend his services to the public and his patrons may rest assured that he will render them the satisfaction that has always been a marked feature in their dealings. Up-to-date goods, style and finish will still be the rule, and he will not cease to answer the calls of his patrons up and down the road.

It is with pleasure I record the complete vindication of Prof. Daugherty, Principal of the Piedmont public schools. He has put his enemies to shame, even though they wear the livery of heaven. He has his faults, but none of them as serious as some of those who affect to hold up their hands in holy horror because of the shortcomings with which they sought invest him. There is not a better school-teacher anywhere, and he is at all times faithful to his trust. But he is no hypocrite to veil his sins beneath the cloak of moral assumption. He will not lie, nor smile in your face while seeking to stab you under the fifth rib. I have a thousand times more regard for such a man than I have for those who, under moral pretense, endeavor to wreak their ill-will from some concealed cause. I hope his conduct during the remainder of the term of the Piedmont school may be such as to make vindictive accusation impossible.

I take this from the Globe-Democrat of Monday: "Relatives and a frantie fiancée, assisted by the St. Louis police, are searching for Paul Biesbarth, 23 years old, who was to have been married in Festus, Mo., Saturday. The young man, who is a brother of Dr. Albert Biesbarth of the South Side Dispensary, dropped out of sight after leaving his home in De Soto, Mo., for St. Louis last Friday. His visit to St. Louis was for the purpose of purchasing a wedding ring. The young man, who is a prosperous merchant in De Soto, Mo., is engaged to Miss Edith Jarvis of Festus, Mo. Both are of the same age, and the match was encouraged by both families. The young man had purchased and furnished a home in De Soto, and the event had been set for last Saturday. Young Biesbarth planned to come to St. Louis Friday and purchase a ring, and intended to leave here the same night for the home of his fiancée. He left for De Soto Friday morning, as he had planned, but dropped from sight. Neither his brother nor sweetheart have heard from him since."

During the past week a thousand and one wildcat rumors regarding the recent wholesale lay-off indulged in by the Federal Lead Co., have been circulated. Chief among these rumors was one to the effect that the Doe Run Lead Co., had purchased the entire Federal Lead Co.'s holdings in this district. We have gone to some trouble in investigating this rumor and have been reliably informed that there is absolutely no truth in it. There has been very little change in the situation since last week. What effect it will have on business in general will not be realized until after this week's "pay day." Judging from present indications, it will probably be some time before the Federal again resumes operations on a large scale. Mining in this district is purely a milling proposition, and judging from the Federal's numerous experiments and lavish and in many instances, apparently useless expenditure of money, the handling of disseminated ore seems to be a problem which they have found much difficulty in solving.—The Labor Herald.

I am satisfied that friend Simerman didn't write the following for publication, but in it goes, nevertheless, for there are some people hereabouts who will be pleased to hear from him: "I am stopping on cousin Joe's farm about three miles from Osterburg, Bedford county, Pa. This is a good place for an old tramp to hang up at; plenty to eat and drink and nothing to do. I was all over old Bedford town. It is certainly an old timer. I was conversing with an old gentleman who told me there is an Ake in Bedford over 80 years old—perhaps one of your relations. I talked with several people who knew your folk. This place is about 15 miles northwest from Bedford town. Not having heard from Ironton for some time, I wish you would send a REGISTER out this way, as I am anxious to hear what is going on in old Ironton. I understand you are going to have a local option election next Saturday. I hope to hear of it. We had the first frost here this morning; thermometer stood at 30. Farmers are cutting corn—everybody at work but me. I am eating, drinking, and trying to be merry. I will try to settle for the trouble I put you to when I return to old Mo. Give my regards to the boys, etc."

Well, it is "wet," and I am not sorry. Now we can have true local option—that is, every community can determine for itself the question of saloon or no saloon. Again, the measure defeated last Saturday is too drastic, subjecting me to a heavy fine and imprisonment if I give my neighbor a drink of something good for the stomach's sake, at my home. O, I know the Prosecuting Attorneys in "dry" counties say that they will present no man from doing that, but I abominate a law which makes it tolerable only in its non-enforcement. No provision that is tyrannical and intolerable ought to be enacted, and this strikes at one of the nearest rights of the citizen—the right of extending hospitality to a friend. Once get the people familiar to this, and the next step would be, by law, to prohibit me from passing a box of cigars to a friend; for your radical "reformer" knows no bounds to his care for the welfare of his neighbors. Whether or not there is never a saloon established in Iron county, I am sure that the conscientious advocates of local option will acquiesce without too much heart-burning. For them I have the profoundest regard and no quarrel because of our difference on this question. If there are others who were moved by hope of political revenge or gain, or other unrighteous desire, they have their just reward in defeat.

The county court this morning made an order requiring that all saloon petitions in future must have the signatures of two-thirds of the tax-paying citizens of the town or township where the saloon is to be located. Heretofore only a majority has been required. A license will cost \$1200 per annum.

The following from my old friend, Aug. Rieck, is of sufficient interest to print. I therefore take that liberty, hoping that the Nord Deutscher Lloyd may bring him safely home before the snow flies, and that he will conclude, after all, that this is a pretty good country and fully entitled to be proudly called "The Land of the Free." "We have still winter weather, so you might call it, as I have my winter overcoat on. I just wish you and Wm. Tannernicht were with me. I bet you would call it a Paradise. You I am sure would say, 'Relke, we are in the land of the free; let us remain here!' And it is so, Mr. Ake. It is a beautiful country. Saloons and summer gardens are open; concerts by military bands. A glass of beer, 2-1-2 cents; a pint bottle, 5 cents; no revenue to it. All Lutherans here; the preachers and school teachers go and sit in saloons and play cards. I told some how it was in America, the land of the free, where the men who don't drink beer—though some of them will drink if some one sets them up—don't want to let anyone else drink it. They told me 'you must have some hypocrites over here who don't know the Bible.' Well, I was with my niece, Mrs. Herman Lange, in the city of Hanover, on the 17th. It is only three English miles from here. All the cities and villages here are so improved, I hardly knew them. Farming goes very slow on account of so much rain and cold weather. Other years by the middle of September, everything is in, but it will be the 1st of October before everything is harvested—that means grain. Then come the sugar beets and potatoes, which are green yet. My nephew has 10 hired hands. One Schwitzer attends to the cows—does nothing else. Feeds, milks and carries them every day. All are stabled. The farm also employs 3 Polish girls, 3 house girls, including cook and 3 hired men. There are 10 horses; the least weighing 1250. The owner has his own threshing machine, and electric lights in stables and house. Also drives the threshing machine with electric power. I'll tell you, yourself and Trauernicht would have something to tell if you were here, when you returned to your country, where is nothing but tyranny, when it should be 'the land of the free. I thought I would go to sea on my return October 1st, but when I wrote to Nord Deutscher Lloyd, they notified me that everything was engaged up to October 15th. But I think my nephew has been writing, because they do not want to let me go yet. So good-by! Best regards to your family and the little fellow."

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## Pilot Knob.

Seeing nothing from Pilot Knob thought I would write some of the happenings.

Albert Ragan, of Granite City, visited his sister, Mrs. O. Hayes, of this place recently.

Mrs. D. Davids visited her daughter, Mrs. Kamholtz, near Graniteville, Sunday.

Miss Lottie Kamholtz is spending a few days with Mrs. Hancock.

Mrs. Dettmar made a business trip to Ironton Saturday.

Well, the snake show left here this morning. It has been a stain on our town the way some of them did, and to think the church was used for the purpose of a snake show! We don't think there is another church in Iron County that they could have secured to take the snakes in, and show old Satan's work as they did here. We think the church a place where God dwells, and not a place for everything to be held that comes to town. The Bible teaches us that the serpent is not a friend of man, but a limb of the Devil.

Local option has come and gone. Pilot Knob gave a "wet" ticket, 25 "dry" and 56 "wet."

Miss Alma Robinson called on Miss Lucy Sherrill last week.

The saloons being closed yesterday did not prevent some of the voters from being full. They had looked ahead and provided plenty. Them that came and had no whiskey were likened unto the five foolish virgins who went without oil: It was too late to buy any.

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## Des Arcs.

Wm. Stevenson is running an independent telephone line from here to Piedmont. Carwit Myers is superintending it. It will be a great help to us as the old line has so many "phone boxes it was hard to get service.

I am truly sorry Iron County went "wet," as we were expecting to get an iron wagon bridge across Big Creek at Des Arcs. Now we will never get it. It will take all the surplus money to pay the whiskey murder cases. Wayne County never had an iron bridge until it went dry; now it has three. Every fellow should have voted "dry" to save his boys. Our town was "dry," but the county folk all voted "wet." One thing that hurt us, was, the tickets were so complicated that a good many made a mistake, and it can be proven that they scratched the wrong line or both. I know some men that intended voting "dry," but voted "wet," and some that intended voting "wet" voted "dry." The ticket should have read "yes" or "no" or "wet" or "dry," then the people would have understood it better.

Mrs. Elmo Magill and mother-in-law, from Hendrickson spent Sunday here with Mrs. John Stevenson.

Miss Elma Keathley has returned home from a visit with relatives at Grandin.

Mrs. Belle Huggins and Mrs. Sam Shy attended the Holiness Association here Sunday.

Mrs. A. T. Smith and mother, Mrs. Robinson, are here from Greenville on a visit to the former's daughters, Mrs. Newt Settle.

John Keathley has returned home from Oklahoma where he has been on a visit with his brother.

Mrs. Chas. Hickman and daughter, Minnie, are visiting her son, Joe Hickman and wife at Bonne Terre.

Mrs. Dr. Farr and Mr. and Mrs. A. Myers, have returned home from Illinois where they have been visiting relatives.

Mrs. W. E. McKee, and Hazel, went to Piedmont last week.

Mrs. Jas. Pate and baby are attending the association here.

Miss Gerlie Fitzpatrick was in Ironton Saturday.

Miss Ethel Lovelace was here from Annapolis Sunday.

Arthur Schmitt is visiting relatives in St. Louis.

Will Seals has moved his family to his mill. Dave Stevenson and family will occupy the cottage vacated by Mr. Seals.

There was quite a crowd here Sunday attending the Holiness Association. Rev. McBride and Rev. Estes and wife, Rev. Campbell and wife, are here from Texas. Rev. Estes will continue the meeting all week.